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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Covelli Confirmation No.: 1368  
SERIAL NO.: 10/523,618 EXAMINER: Jonathan R. Stroud  
FILING DATE: April 25, 2006 ART UNIT: 3774  
TITLE: IN-VITRO METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF A HOMOLOGOUS  
STENTED TISSUE-ENGINEERED HEART VALVE

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Enclosed herein are the following:

1. Amendment and Response to January 25, 2008 Final Office Action (10 pages);
2. Petition for Three Month Extension of Time (1 page); and
3. Exhibits 1-4.

Pursuant to 35 USC §1.114, Applicants herein request continued examination of Application No. 10/523,618. Included with this request are the required elements of 1) a request; 2) a submission; and 3) a fee. The submission provided herein is a Response to January 25, 2008 Final Office Action. With such a timely filed request, submission, and fee, Applicants believe that the amendments should be entered and considered.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. **50-0311**, Reference No. **28558-501 NATL**.

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Respectfully submitted,

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